

APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

4. Flexible container (3) according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, characterised in that the container is folded double along closure lines (13, 14), a first layer of the film material folded double being attached via the restraining means (23, 24) to a second layer of the film material folded double.

6. Flexible container (3) according to claim 4 ~~or 5~~, characterised in that on either side of a centre line of the container two side strips (20, 21) of the container are folded double along fold lines (13, 14) located parallel to the centre line.

8. Flexible container (3, 30, 34) according to ~~one of the preceding claims 1,~~ characterised in that the fill opening is provided with a shut-off valve (10), air being at least partially removed from the container.

11. Method according to Claim 9 ~~or 10~~, characterised in that the flexible container (3, 30, 34) is folded double along closure lines (13, 14), the container sections folded double being attached to one another by means offering resistance (23, 24, 40, 41) which are released by the fill pressure.

12. Method according to Claim 9, ~~10 or 11~~, characterised in that during filling the flow rate and/or the fill pressure are measured and in that a change in rate and/or fill pressure is determined on release of the restraining member.